

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1-20. (canceled)

21. (currently amended) A bouquet jewel comprising, in combination:

a post having a bouquet insertion end and a display end, said post bouquet insertion end dimensioned to be inserted into a bouquet of flowers with said bouquet insertion end being proximate stems of said flowers while at the same time said display end being ~~dimensioned to be proximate~~ heads of said flowers;

at least one setting coupled in a substantially perpendicular orientation to said post proximate said display end, said at least one setting defining:

an open bottom exposing an underside of said at least one jewel;

a plurality of apertures exposing all sides of said at least one jewel; and

a plurality of prongs for securing said at least one jewel within said at least one setting, said prongs extending in a substantially upward and substantially perpendicular direction; and

at least one jewel dimensioned to be secured into said at least one setting and dimensioned to be coupled in a substantially perpendicular orientation to said display end of said post.

22. (original) The bouquet jewel of Claim 21 wherein said jewel is at least one Chinese cubic zirconia stone.

23. (original) The bouquet jewel of Claim 22 wherein said at least one Chinese cubic zirconia stone being heart cut and having a diameter of approximately 14 millimeters.

24. (original) The bouquet jewel of Claim 22 wherein said at least one Chinese cubic zirconia stone being round cut and having a diameter of approximately 14 millimeters.

25. (original) The bouquet jewel of Claim 22 wherein said at least one Chinese cubic zirconia stone being emerald cut and having a diameter of approximately 16 millimeters and having a depth of approximately 12 millimeters.

26. (original) The bouquet jewel of Claim 21 wherein said post being comprised of metal.

27. (original) The bouquet jewel of Claim 26 wherein said post being gold plated.

28. (original) The bouquet jewel of Claim 26 wherein said post being silver plated.

29. (original) The bouquet jewel of Claim 21 wherein said post having a length of between approximately 4-6 inches and a diameter of between approximately 2-3 millimeters.

30. (original) The bouquet jewel of Claim 21 wherein a bottom portion of said at least one setting being soldered to said post proximate said display end.

31. (currently amended) The bouquet jewel of Claim 21 further comprising at least one earring back, said earring back defining a bore therethrough and dimensioned to be slidably coupled around said post proximate said display end, said earring back having a top portion being coupled to ~~a bottom portion~~ said open bottom of said at least one setting.

32-47. (canceled)

48. (new) The bouquet jewel of Claim 21 wherein said post being at an offset position relative to said at least one jewel.

49. (new) A bouquet jewel comprising, in combination:

a post having a bouquet insertion end and a display end, said post dimensioned to be inserted into a bouquet of flowers with said bouquet insertion end being proximate stems of said flowers while at the same time said display end being proximate heads of said flowers;

at least one setting coupled in a substantially perpendicular orientation to said post proximate said display end, said at least one setting defining an open bottom exposing an underside of said at least one jewel with said post at an offset position relative to said at least one jewel; and

at least one jewel dimensioned to be secured into said at least one setting and dimensioned to be coupled in a substantially perpendicular orientation to said display end of said post.

50. (new) The bouquet jewel of Claim 49 wherein said setting being substantially crown-shaped.

51. (new) The bouquet jewel of Claim 49 wherein said setting defining a plurality of apertures exposing all sides of said at least one jewel.